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Title: TEXTILE FIBERS MADE FROM
STRENGTHENED POLYPROPYLENE

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FOURTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.56 and MPEP Section 2001.06(a), references AL, AM and AO listed on Form PTO-1449 were first cited in a Japanese Office Action for the corresponding Japanese Patent Application, No. 2002-558569, and are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of the subject patent application. Reference AN (EP 0 049 982) is an English language equivalent of, and in the same patent family as, reference AM. An English language translation of the Japanese Office Action is also enclosed.

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Applicants note that the Information Disclosure Statement filed 20 May 2005 states that EP 277 710 was submitted in the German language and that CA 2087417 and AU-A-31848/93 are from the same patent family as EP 277 710. Upon reviewing the file, Applicants note that an English language version of EP 277 710 was, in fact, submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed 17 September 2002, but a German language copy of EP 552681 was submitted in the same Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants further note, and wish to clarify that CA 2087417 and AU-A-31848/93 are from the same patent family as EP 552681, not as EP 277 710.

Applicants have enclosed a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee required to Deposit Account No. 19-3550.

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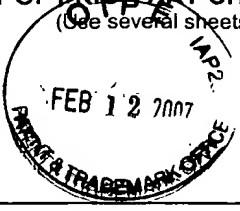
Form PTO-1449 (1 page) is enclosed with a copy of each and every reference cited on Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,



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	AL	2000-160463	06/2000	Japan			YES X NO
	AM	57-61721	04/1982	Japan (Abstract)			X
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